

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. It does not serve the public interest and is a clear danger to our already tenuous democracy.

The monopoly a few corporations have acquired in the media via deregulation has become a detriment to our society. No longer is news really news. It has become a tool by some owners to brainwash people with their ideology. Unwitting recipients that don't have the time or inclination to seek out alternative sources of information haven't a clue what the truth is, because they certainly aren't getting it from an objective source. We don't need people to think for us. We need the truth.

I object to Sinclair giving away free airtime to broadcast pure propaganda, and coercing their stations to air it.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. I urge you to investigate this matter and if, indeed it is a violation - duly note it and administer the appropriate penalties. Thank you.